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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I subscribe to a local internet service provider who also provides landline phone service by leasing wires from AT&T. I am very glad to be supporting a local business and getting good service right in my own community. I am a low income senior who cannot afford increased prices for these services in the attempt to drive small companies out of customers, but I do not want to switch to AT&T.

Don't we want viable businesses to be based right in our own communities? If we are going to move toward closing the width of the rich-poor income gap and strengthening our remaining middle class we need to do everything we can to support local businesses and local communities.

Please do your job and respect our right to choose our internet and phone service providers here where we can see their faces. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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